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Visited Congressman Anfuso and give him informal Agency comments on his draft bill to establish a "free world organization" for the purpose of strengthening friendship and understanding between the American people and the peoples of the world. The views I expressed were a composite of reactions from William Bundy, Cord Meyer, Lawrence Houston and myself. I stated that in general we agreed with the objectives of the Congressman's bill, but that we felt that its present terms, which in effect made the organization an agency of the U. S. Government, would hamper its ability to direct aid and encouragement to free peoples without dealing through their governments.

Congressman Anfuso thanked me for the comments, but requested that I show the bill to Mr. Dulles and try to get his own personal views. I told him that I would do so.

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